



# City of Greensboro POLICE

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## News Release

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### **Investigation Regarding Greensboro Police Academy**

On or about August 2005, it came to the attention of the NC Criminal Standards Division that some recruits who attended the Greensboro Police Academy had not completed all of their required practical training prior to sitting for the State Law Enforcement Certification Exam. When the allegations first surfaced, it was incorrectly reported by the previous administration that the training staff had only failed to administer the City of Greensboro requirements which were above those required by the State.

The allegations led to an audit by State training officials of the records of the Police Academy for Academy class numbers 79-83. The State audit revealed that the Police Academy had not complied with all of the State requirements in those classes. Upon receipt of the State audit report, Chief Bellamy ordered his own audit of the Academy. The City's audit came to the same conclusion as that reached by the State audit. Chief Bellamy immediately thereafter undertook all steps necessary to ensure that these and any other discrepancies would never happen again. (Attachment)

The State audit of the Academy's records was completed by the NC Division of Criminal Justice Standards. Because the audit revealed deficiencies and possible violations of the State Administrative Code, an investigation by the same Division was commenced. The State audit was conducted under the previous administration, while the subsequent State investigation was completed under Chief Bellamy's command.

As a result of that investigation the Police Department was notified that a hearing would take place to determine if the Academy discrepancies were substantial enough to warrant sanctions against the Academy. The Training and Standards Committee met yesterday and recommended that the probable cause action be suspended and the City received a written reprimand.

**While the City cannot release personnel information regarding its recruits, all police officers have received all required certification training before assuming any law enforcement duties.**

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As part of the Greensboro Police Department's process to disclose information to the public concerning resolved police issues, Interim Chief Bellamy will be available to respond to questions regarding the Academy Investigation.

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